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Council Continues Long Discussions On Constitution

The Central Council astonished many Council-watchers last Sunday by achieving a quorum at a special meeting called to deal with the still-unconfirmed provisions of the proposed constitution. Council Chairman Sam Bonamani and parliamentarian Bob Haaseidon centered attention on certain "non-controversial" sections of the constitution for speedy passage so the controversial portions could be discussed at greater length. However, more than two hours were exhausted in a controversy over the provisions for committees, by-laws and elections.

A formal amendment to the section on Faculty Committees was co-sponsored by Vince Schoemehl and Christine Schillinger. It stated that "no Council member may serve continuously beyond a term on the Council, unless a sufficient number of candidates is not available." The amendment was defeated, and the entire article on committees was adopted as read.

Section One provides for the Executive Committee, composed of Council officers and standing committee heads, to function as an "overall planning and execution committee where other committees are not provided for this purpose." Section Two empowers the Council to "select student representatives for faculty committees in accordance with the University By-laws," Section Three allows the Council to "set up, review and discard, such standing or ad hoc committees as it may deem necessary."

Article IV, concerning by-laws, was passed virtually unaltered, the only change being that the majority vote originally required for passage was changed.

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Julian Bond Speaks Here May 6

Julian Bond, a member of the Georgia House of Representatives, will speak at UMSL Tuesday, May 6 at 11:40 in room 105 Benton Hall.

Bond has been active in the civil rights movement since 1960. He was the founder of the Committee on Appeal for Human Rights (COAHR), a student organization that coordinated anti-segregation protests in Atlanta. He also helped form the Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC).

Bond was elected to the Georgia House three times before the Supreme Court ordered the legislature to seat him in 1967.

Arts and Science Reduces Language Requirements

by Adrienne Beaudoin

The proposed general education requirements for the coming academic year were presented to the faculty of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences by the Curriculum Committee in a meeting last Tuesday. The discussion followed on a major of topics, notably the foreign language requirement and the substitution requirement.

The most active debate centered around the current 14-hour foreign language requirement as a condition for receiving a degree in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences. A language requirement does not exist for the School of Education and the School of Business.

Several months ago, a letter to the Current sparked a heated discussion among some members of the faculty and some students. The general feeling among students in the letter column was that the language requirement should be entirely eliminated as a degree requirement.

This was further supported by the results of an informal survey. This survey showed that 12% of the students sampled wished to abolish the language requirement.

The Curriculum Committee countered this with a letter to the Current, affirming that the foreign language requirement centered around the study of a foreign culture. The Committee recommended that students take the placement test required for entering college, and that those with a high enough score be exempted from the requirement.

UMSL Receives Grant to Provide Recreation for Inner-City Youths

by Doris Speck

UMSL has received a $21,864 grant from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to provide recreation opportunities for about 200 St. Louis inner-city youths this summer, Chancellor James L. Dagg, Jr., has announced.

The grant, part of the National Summer Youth Sports Program, is co-sponsored by individual universities in cooperation with the National Collegiate Athletic Association under new supervision.

The program is open to UMSL and the nation. According to Larry Berres, of the athletics department, "it was in the mill for over a year. Final approval from President Nixon was received near the end of February." The $2.5 million program involves 100 colleges in 26 urban centers. Florissant Valley Community College is also participating.

An application was submitted in March and approved April 6. "Under the softggest profession-
Editorials

A Common Denominator

Someone ought to take over the Administration Building! At least, someone who can "take care of business." Recently, UMSL has been lauded for its progress in the areas of academics, athletics, and architecture. However, there are still some aspects of attending this school which leave much to be desired.

Among these, the most notable are: the pre-enrollment procedures, the grade reporting system, and the probation notification process. All three have inefficiencies as a common denominator.

The greatest problem for the student in the pre-enrollment process is the security of information in regard to procedures, counseling appointments, and course offerings. This function is left up to the individual student who must blindly seek out the proper facts in order to pre-enroll. A system which provides all necessary information through the mail would seem more desirable for students who are confused by changing policies and procedures.

Grades are a primary concern of every student and are sometimes essential to the planning of courses. However, at UMSL grades are usually received by the student at such a late date that conflicts and problems are inevitable. It seems that grades could be sent out earlier, especially since they are of such significance. Other universities, with larger enrollments, seem to carry out this function with greater efficiency.

The same problem of late notification applies to the issuing of probation and suspension notices. Many students pre-enroll and pay their tuition while not realizing that they are not scholastically eligible to do so. The result is "red tape" in the form of refunds and other problems of this nature. Perhaps steps could be taken to improve these procedures which are an essential part of attending any university.

Efficiency should take over the Administration Building.

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"Shall I let it grow or trim it now before it gets out of hand?"

Letters: The Concert, a Commitment and the Library

When the Ramsey Lewis Trio performs in an UMSL-sponsored concert Friday, May 9, we will at last have some hint at the answer.

This experiment, even though it is bold, is also somewhat in-essential to the "name" entertainers? At least, someone who can and wisely, is not one of these. He is both noted for its choice of program. There are many other groups and lecture speakers being sponsored by the University of Missouri - St. Louis.

It has been difficult in the past for the Student Union Board to be able to sponsor such an event or venture because of the fact that the funds necessary to put on such activities have simply not been available. This semester, the Activities Planning Committee, which is replacing the Student Union Board of last year, is being given the opportunity to sponsor a concert group . . . the Ramsey Lewis Trio . . . on behalf of the university.

There has been a degree of hesitation and a feeling of reluctance among some money would be spent in vain.

Now, all of your UMSL students, both day and evening division! have an opportunity to sponsor a concert because there has been fear that it would not be supported and that the money would be spent in vain.

All of you, the student, can be able to increase your support of this campus and to contribute to the success of this event. This semester, the Activities Planning Committee is the same group that helped sponsor the Ramsey Lewis Trio and by buying a ticket to hear them in concert May 9, 8 p.m. at Viking Hall, which is the new auditorium of Normandy Senior High School.

The Activities Planning Committee in the future would like to be able to sponsor and to bring other nationally known concert groups and lecture speakers to our campus that would be of interest to everyone. It is for this reason that your support for this concert is so important and vital and the success or failure of this event will depend in large measure as to whether or not the Activities Planning Committee, which helps plan the lecture, concert and social events of the campus on behalf of the student, can be able to increase its budget to any sizeable degree so as to include events of this kind next year and in years to come.

Since the tickets are at bargain rates, $1.00 for bleacher seats and $1.50 for theatre seats, we hope to see all of you there.

Judy Allen, chairman, Activities Planning Committee

Dear Editor,

I write concerning a letter in the April 10 issue of the Current, written by somebody named Don Morton. I am worried because if what that letter says is true, then I am a dangerous madman.

More specifically, Mr. Morton says that anyone who has seen the Columbia Free Press and doubts that it is obscene must be a "psychotic personality," a "moral idiot," and should be locked up.

Well, I've seen it and I doubt it. (Here is my psychotic train of thought, it will provide some insight into the criminal mind, no doubt.) The Supreme Court says that a publication can only be judged obscene if it possesses no social merit whatsoever. Now it seems to me that the Free Press does contain some worthwhile, meritorious social comments. That alone would be enough to disqualify it from being obscene.

There it is. Why do they let people like me loose in the streets? My moral perceptions are so clouded that I don't even see the Columbia SDS-ers as "degenerate trash" as normal people like Mr. Morton do. I think of them as concerned, Intelligent people, who are discouraged by some things they see around them and who sometimes express their discouragement in silly or venomous ways. I'll let a lot of them are nice people too. (As a matter of fact they're really not very different from Don Morton, to my mind. I like them, I like him.)

How do you commit yourself in this state?

Yours,

William J. DeAngelis
Instructor in Philosophy

Dear Editor,

Mr. Nieman, let's not limit the source of the noise to the Second Floor from 12:00 to 3:00; I've studied on the First, Second, and Third Floors at almost every time of the day and the problem is the same, although you are correct—it is the Second Floor that really swings.

At the beginning of the year I asked a librarian what could be done about the noise just in case one is interested in studying in the library. The librarian asked me the question with another question, "What do you want me to do, make a general announcement or do I then suggest that one might try telling their neighbors to be quiet? I, myself, don't want to patrol the library for noise and I don't advocate that a policing method be put into effect.

There is a practical solution to this problem which merits consideration. My proposition is a glass-enclosed study intensive area for those who make studying an individual effort. I think the students would respect each other in their endeavor in this more conducive atmosphere to studying, so that policing would not be necessary.

Finally, I'd like to say that this problem is more serious than one might imagine. I've seen students move from seat to seat or from floor to floor in search of a quiet area. When they find one, it is likely to be shattered by incoming trash. I've been known to see noise-makers a few minutes later. The problem, then, is a frustrating one for students attempting to study. It should be given attention before the crucial final exam week. It's been put off far too long already.

Mervine Kallasso
Pat Courtney, Chorus President, Talks About "Brigadoon"

by Sam Hack, Features Editor

Will the success story continue with "Brigadoon"? Pat thinks so. "We've never had as much set, but it will work better than Car­ doonel. The set helps in imagining Brigadoon" (the town in which the play is located). But, as he said, "the burden is on the cast," and Pat says of the cast for Brig­ doon that "the leads are as strong or stronger than in previous shows."

Next year UMSL's musicals will fall under the sponsorship of the University Players, and present plans include the hiring of professional directors for musicals as well as dramatic productions. Pat feels that "becoming part of an established organization will help re­ place the driving force of individuals."

I asked Pat if the situation has changed since UMSL's first musical production, 110 in the Shade, which was presented in the fall of 1967. "I think we have progressed since 110. More people are involved and willing to help because they've seen what we have done. They were hesitant before we proved that we could produce successful musicals."

Pat has the tenor lead in Brigadoon, and when UMSL audiences hear him sing, they will be hear­ ing a voice that impressed the Municipal Operas enough to secure him a place in the Muny singing chorus for the coming season. He is, of course, "overjoyed."

"This is something I've wanted for a long time. It will be a testing ground for me, a chance to find out how good I am under professional conditions."

UMSL students can find out how good Pat Courtney is this weekend in Brigadoon.
Council Discusses Revised Constitution

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sage of a by-law was modified to a two-thirds vote. In order to forestall the "railroading" of a by-law, "no by-law may be adopted at the same meeting at which it is proposed." Article V on Elections bore the brunt of the pressure. Various methods were suggested: a simultaneous election of officers and representatives; one election to select representatives, with candidates for President and Vice-President selected from among the victors; and a different dual election system, whereby election of officers would take place first, so that the defeated candidates would be able to run as representatives. The single-election system was finally endorsed.

Setting a date for the elections also posed a serious difficulty, as one section provided for elections on the last day of April. Schoemehl pointed out the infeasibility of this, and his proposed amendment was passed. This provided for elections "no sooner than April 1, and no later than May 30, in 1969;" henceforth, elections would be no sooner than April 30 and no later than May 15.

Another section of Article V which provoked considerable debate, pro and con, was a plan to hold special elections every fall so that there might be an election representative for every five hundred newly enrolled students. The fate of the measure was still in doubt when an inevitable quorum call ended the meeting.

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Jim, on his twelve-string guitar, and Bonnie, on her autoharp, are best known for their triologies. They have performed at Jacks or Better in Gaslight Square.

Tickets may be purchased from members of Newman House, the sponsoring organization, or from the campus cashier. The price is $1.75 for students and $2.50 for the general public.

Degrees Get 'Preliminary' Approval

Five master's degree programs, scheduled to begin at UMSL during the 1969 fall semester have received 'preliminary' accreditation for the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The programs affected include master of arts degrees in economics, history, political science and sociology, as well as the master's in business administration (M.B.A.).

According to a letter received by President Weaver from North Central Executive Secretary Norman Burns, the programs will be included with those previously granted preliminary accreditation in an examination for full accreditation after there have been a sufficient number of graduates from the new programs."

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O'Hare Ties Record As Golfers Hit 5-2

Senior Tom O'Hare strengthened his position as number one player on the UMSL golf team as he fired an even par 69 to tie the current St. Louis University and Washington University's even par 66 recorded April 17, in a dual match with St. Louis University. O'Hare tied Ron Brewer's even par 66 recorded April 17, in a dual match with St. Louis University, University 9 1/2 - 8 1/2 but bowed as Tom Cradick (75)

Coach Berres' squad was unable to press. The Springfield squad won four matches to defeat UMSL 11-5. Coach Berres' squad was unable to gain the initiative needed to win their fifth straight match.

Bob Piggott's went to 6-3, 2-6, 6-3 and in the fourth straight win lost his singles set over Bill Flori (85)

The tennis team has gained the initiative needed to win their fifth straight match. The tennis team has gained the initiative needed to win their fifth straight match.

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Go to ANOTHER PLACE
Tim Reig

Steamers Club Officers Elected

The Steamers pep club recently elected officers for the next year. Those elected were Marty Hendin, president; Ed Farrell, vice-president; Bev Bricker, secretary; and Mike Cheekett, treasurer.

Steamers members are already working hard on activities for next year, which they feel will be the best in the history of the club. Anyone who wants to join the Steamers should contact one of the new officers.

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The fortunes of Arnold Copeland's baseball Rivermen were completely reversed last week as they rebounded from their shaky start with two well earned victories. The victims were Principia College and Concordia Seminary.

Last Tuesday UMSL traveled to Sh o h, Illinois, to face the Indians of Principia College. Riverman starter Tim Krull was handed a four run lead even before he threw his first pitch as his teammates shook Principia's Chip LeMaster with a five hit barrage in their half of the first inning. Krull went on to hold Principia to six hits and three runs as the Rivermen chalked up their first victory of the season, 10-3. UMSL pounded three Principia pitchers for their ten runs on a total of twelve hits, including three home runs. John Cova and Tom Bader each contributed a three run homer to take most of the pressure off Krull. Tim became the first UMSL hurler to record a nine inning complete game victory.

On Thursday, Bill Coat's became the second UMSL pitcher to record a nine inning complete game victory. Bill allowed only four hits and three runs as the Rivermen walked off with a 4-3 decision. Much of the game was played in a steady drizzle which added to the problems of both pitchers and contributed its share to Costs' final total of five walks. UMSL scored the deciding runs in the fourth inning with Costs, himself, driving in the winning tally with a sharp single up the middle which nearly took Concordia pitcher Fred Neldner with it. The damage that inning was inflicted after two men had been retired, Calcher Bill Haberburger started things off with a single to right, went to second on a passed ball and scored on Bob Miller's safety. Miller advanced to second on the throw to the plate, setting up Costs' big RBI.

At week's end, the Rivermen record stood at 2-2-1. Any chance to improve on it was wiped out as a scheduled double header with McKendree College was cancelled due to wet grounds. One of the two games has been rescheduled for May 14. No decision has as yet been reached concerning the date of the completion of the Harris game which ended in a 6-6 tie on April 11.

Kansas City Money Due

Anyone who went to the NAIA baseball tournament in Kansas City on the Steamer Bus and has not paid their $5.00 bus fare, should do so as soon as possible to Mrs. O'Gorman in Room 117 of the Administration Building. Failure to pay this fare will be classified as an unpaid fine and no registration packets, grade reports or transcripts will be issued until it is paid.

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